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In re Application of:

JAMES H. WANG, ET AL.

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For: WATER-RESPONSIVE BIODEGRADABLE
POLYMER COMPOSITION AND METHOD
OF MAKING SAME

) Art Unit: 1711

) Examiner: Jeffrey Mullis

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RESPONSE

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231
Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 1, 2002, applicants respectfully
request reconsideration of the present application in view of the following remarks.

CLEAN VERSION OF AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

Please rewrite Claims 2, 14, 32 and 33 as follows:

Stu *a* 2. (Amended) The composition of Claim 1, wherein said biodegradable polymer is selected from poly(hydroxy alkanoates), poly(alkylene succinates), polycaprolactones or combinations thereof that are hydrolytically degradable.

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